

Bombay Art Exhibition with Shriram Pant. Schleicher and Sait bagged one deer and pea-hen. Honorary Secretary of Madras Art Society wished to know the price of 'Damayanti'; Replied for it.

Monda~ 6th March 1899

Early in the morning the Germans left for Bombay. At night wrote to Messers Surundy & Co. that Brother's 'Damayanti' having been sold in Madras could not be exhibited in Bombay. Wrote also to Bapuji from whom we had not heard for a long time, and Dawoodbhai about state dress for Maharaja.

Tuesda~ 7th March 1899

I wrote to H.H. The 1st Prince and nephew Ms Ravi Varma, Deputy Collector of whose transfer to Bellary [I] learnt from the Standard. Received a letter from Ms E. Thurston, 112 Honorary Secretary, Fine Arts' Society Madras, thanking me for my present of 'Water Carrier' to the Society.

Wednesda~ 8th March 1899

I wrote a letter to Cousin. I made a sketch of the tank in the evening after sunset when the sky was yet of a bright orange and the distant hills in a deep purple. The reflection of the sky is beautiful in the rippling water. Bapuji writes he will provide us lodgings at Matunga.

Thursda~ 9th March 1899

Chathu whom we had sent to Bombay yesterday to bring for Appay medicine for cough returned today at 12 o'clock. The man [+++] of the place we were told would come here in the evening to see us but he did not turn up.

Frida~ 10th March 1899

I got a cheque for Rs 50 from Madras Art Society. Today is Maha Shiva Ratri and the people of Bhaji are celebrating it as best as they can. They eat only fruits and vegetables. We were invited to attend a Hindu Kirtan in the village temple, but we shall not go as it takes place at night.

Saturda~ 11th March 1899

I received a letter from my cousin in which he said that the Ulsavam in our temple went off well and that our father was in a critical condition. As we are soon going back, I hope we shall be able to see him before the worst happens to him.

Sunda~ 12th March 1899

Today's post brought us a letter from nephew Ravi Varma, Deputy Collector, saying he has transferred and that he may perhaps spend the Easter

